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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

It has come to my attention that a settlement has been reached in the Justice Department's three-year case against Microsoft regarding alleged antitrust violations. I am glad that this case will be finally ending because of this settlement. I think Microsoft did not do anything wrong to have litigation brought against it.

However, I believe that the settlement that has been reached is fair and reasonable to all of the parties involved. Others will tell you that Microsoft is getting off easy in this case. I strongly disagree with that statement, because the company will be making a number of changes to their products, and business practices. For example, Microsoft has agreed not to retaliate against software or hardware developers who develop or promote software that competes with Windows or that runs on software that competes with Windows.

Also, I would like to remind you that Microsoft has agreed to document and disclose for use by its competitors various interfaces that are internal to Windows operating system products. I ask that the Justice Department accept the settlement, and no further action be taken against Microsoft.

Sincerely,

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